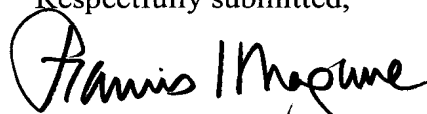


REMARKS

This preliminary amendment is submitted in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed January 18, 2006, for the purpose of placing the application into compliance with 37 CFR 1.121. Approval and allowance are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Francis J. Maguire". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Francis" and last name "Maguire" clearly distinguishable.

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